

\$750,000 DAMAGE DONE BY DOCK FIRE

Longshoreman's Pipe Starts
North River Blaze.

RED STAR PIER DESTROYED

Mountains of Freight and Many
Lighters Burned on Crowded
River's Shore, Where Several Big
Liners Are Threatened, the Har-
vard Leaving Just in Time.

New York, July 16.—The Harvard, one of the Metropolitan Line's turbine steamers, took to the North River this afternoon a jump ahead of a big fire which ate the old Red Star pier at West and Fulton streets, burned away the superstructure belonging to the same company, destroyed lighters and coal barges, and ruined a vast quantity of valuable freight. The total damage was about \$750,000.

A chuckle-headed longshoreman and his pipe were responsible for the fire, so far as Chief Croker could gather. There was a young mountain of rattan chairs near him, and the plinking of the pier was smeared with oil.

Food for the Flames.

All around were piled stacks of Georgia pine, bales of cotton, barrels of oil, groceries in wooden boxes, fruit in crates, masses and masses of mixed freight that proved fine eating for the flames.

When the fire started, at 12:30 p. m., the old pier and the one just to the north, Pier 15, once used by the American Line, were humming with activity. The Harvard was tied up, taking on freight for Boston. She was to skip out at 5 p. m. On the north side of the pier lay the cargo boat Dimock, which had discharged the freight she brought in this morning from Boston and was loading up for a trip up to-night.

Across a wide slip was the Brunswick Line steamship Altamaha, taking on cargo. The bunks of the Dimock and the Altamaha were being filled from coal barges, and eight lighters were shooting freight into the two freighters.

Thousands See Flame Fight.

Immediately to the north of Pier 15 is the Barclay street ferry-house, of the Lackawanna Railroad, and thousands of people were hustling from the closing downtown section to get their boats. To the south of Pier 14 are the Starin transportation lines piers, used for freight by the Lackawanna.

Pier 14, a two-story structure, tall as an ordinary three-story building, was checked with freight. Gangs of men were working at the river end, derricking boxes and barrels into the holds of the Harvard and the Dimock. All at once there was a yell from the far end of the pier. Longshoremen tumbled aft. The Harvard's whistle let go and started the alarm. The fight on the flames began and lasted until late.

DROWNED IN BASIN.

Young Man Sinks Before His Companion Reaches Him.

Attacked with cramps while bathing in the Tidal Basin, William D. Leisler, twenty-one years old, of 220 East Capitol street, was drowned yesterday afternoon before assistance could reach him.

The body was recovered by the harbor police crew and removed to the morgue. Later, Undertaker G. P. Zuhorst, of Third and East Capitol streets, removed the body to the family home.

Leisler, who was employed as a clerk in a downtown hotel, went to the Basin in company with H. G. Russell, of 221 East Capitol street. Leisler was an expert swimmer, but had been in the water but a few minutes before he cried for help, and he sank before Russell could reach him.

BULLET HITS NEGRO.

Yachts Exchange Salutes While Lying in Harbor Off Wharf.

While driving a dump wagon on the District street wharf at the foot of Ninth street southwest yesterday afternoon, Walter Smith, a negro, twenty-five years old, was struck in the body by a stray bullet from a gun used in an exchange of salutes between two yachts lying in the harbor. He was not seriously injured and after treatment at the Emergency Hospital, was able to go to his home.

The yacht "Freya," owned by George H. Bright, of 1425 Harvard street northwest, and the houseboat "Griselda," owned by Frank T. Rawlings, of 1753 Q street northwest, were just coming to anchor and the boats saluted each other. Both thought that they were using blank shells. The harbor police were unable to determine which was responsible for the accident.

PERSONAL TAXES ARE DUE.

Penalty for Nonpayment is Attached After August 1.

Personal property taxes are due, and unless they are paid before August 1 a penalty of 20 per cent will be attached. Not more than half the returns are made within the scheduled time of the 20,000 assessments on personal property in the District, according to a member of the board of tax appraisers.

Blanks are furnished by the assessors containing a schedule of all tangible personal property and all general merchandise and stock in trade subject to taxation, which statement must be sworn to before a notary public.

Personal property not exceeding \$1,000 in value is exempt. The law regarding the payment of the 20 per cent penalty is mandatory, and no exceptions can be made by the board or the Commissioners.

TAILOR FORFEITS BOND.

Adolph Lichtenberg, a tailor of 2320 Fourteenth street northwest, forfeited \$10 collateral for making an assault upon Clayton L. Polley and Carlin S. Eskridge, two deputy United States marshals employed at the Municipal Court. A charge of disorderly conduct was also filed against him for which he forfeited \$5.

According to the deputies after they went to Lichtenberg's place to serve a writ of replevin on him he attacked them.

Sgt. Bremmerman, of the Tenth precinct, hearing the disturbance, arrested Lichtenberg, who was compelled to put up \$15 collateral at the station house to assure his appearance in Police Court yesterday, and when his name was called he failed to appear.

HEAT OVERCOMES SPEAKER CANNON

Continued from Page One.

H. Taft, the candidate for President, asking him to see to it that Cannon doesn't come to Kansas. "We are in excellent condition," said Stubbs in the telegram, "and don't want to be disturbed." I was scheduled for a speech at Independence. I wired Phil Campbell about what Stubbs had told the President. Phil said "Come." And come I did. "Again, when it was printed recently that I was coming to Kansas to make some Republican speeches, I received several letters advising me not to come. Some of them threatened me. Others wrote that it would not be safe; that I would be hurt. I paid no attention to the advice or the threats. I am not afraid of the Kansas people."

"I think that the writers of these letters were plain, ordinary liars." The crowd, although made up mostly of church people, almost took the roof off the auditorium.

Uncle Joe opened his speech with a thrust at La Follette. "This is the second Chautauqua I have addressed," said he. "My official duties have kept me busy. Whoever forsakes his work in official life when he is needed in order to speak at Chautauquas or preach or travel is not doing his full duty to his country."

Prosperity of the South.

In discussing the prosperity of the South under a Republican tariff policy, he said: "I thank God that the South thanks God that it didn't succeed in breaking down this Union."

To the Democrats: "Honor bright, honest Injun, Mr. Democrat, is there a single one of you here to-day who wants to go back to the good old days of the Wilson tariff bill?"

"No, no," shouted many.

"Where is the evangel that wanted to open the mints when McKinley wanted to open the mints?" he asked. "I wonder if there is a man here that still admires Bryan's political principles?" Again came the noes like a roll of thunder.

"Is there a man, especially a farmer, here—and there are acres of you present—who wants to turn the hands of the clock back to '86 and put Bryan in power?" Again there were shouts of "No, No!"

"Yes, Mr. Democrat, and Mr. Insurgent, we did have a little financial disturbance in 1907, but it was a summer's breeze compared to that trouble from '83 to '86."

How He Lost Popularity.

Uncle Joe said that prior to the campaign leading up to the last Presidential nomination he was one of the most popular men in public life. But when he refused to be a party to putting print paper on the free list, thus discriminating in favor of the newspaper, of the country, he immediately became a bad man. "I refused to make a dickering with the big publishers whereby they were to put my name in return for free print paper," said he, "and now they are abusing me. Some magazines and newspapers are making their wares like the Yankee made razors—to sell. They are feeding the public on misrepresentations, believing that the people want it. The tariff on print paper has caused the Republican party more trouble than any one thing."

"And what happened when we tried to reduce the tariff on print paper to \$2 a ton?" added the speaker. "Why, that changed of reform in Wisconsin who talks six hours at a time at Chautauqua denouncing the tariff, solemnly arose and said that the old duty of \$6 a ton was not high enough for the Wisconsin paper mills. And we had to compromise by making the tariff \$3.75 a ton, instead of \$2, as the House had voted."

Effect on Post-office Deficit.

He said the Post-office deficit of \$30,000,000 could be made up some if the government would be given authority by Congress to have a monopoly in hauling mail.

"The publications now send by express on the short hauls," said he, "and send by mail on the long hauls. Thus the government gets the worst of it. I have hammered for years to give the government a monopoly, and I believe that such a law will pass before the next two years."

The speaker talked of the folly of so much windjamming in the Senate. He said the Senate should reform its rules so that it could bring a bill to a vote within a reasonable time. He felt sure that such a reform would come before long.



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ROOSEVELT ENJOYS DAY AS WOODMAN

Six Huge Elms Hewn on
Sagamore Estate.

VISITED BY NEGRO DELEGATION

John C. Daney, of Washington, Among Those Who Invite Former President to Address the Forthcoming Negro Fair at Richmond, Which He Will Consider.

Oyster Bay, July 16.—Early this morning Col. Roosevelt descended the front steps of Sagamore Hill carrying an ax. He stayed out of doors all day and chopped down six huge elm trees before he finally cut out his recreation. The only visitors he received during the day were a delegation of colored men, who came to ask him to speak at the Colored State Fair in Richmond during the Southern trip in October. He did not promise to do this, but will consider it.

The most interesting of the visitors was Dr. William D. Crum, who was in the limelight while he was collector of the port of Charleston. Dr. Crum was appointed by the President to the post of Minister Resident and Consul General in Liberia. The colonel is very much interested in the status of affairs in Liberia, and asked Dr. Crum to tell him all about things there after he has visited Sierra Leone, capital of the British province. When Dr. Crum returns to this country he will look Mr. Roosevelt up and inform him on what he has observed. He leaves on Tuesday.

Washington Negro a Visitor.

When John C. Daney, recorder of deeds in the District of Columbia; Harry C. Cummings, a member of the city council in Baltimore; Giles D. Jackson, a perpetual candidate for office in the South, and Dr. Crum drove up the road leading to the house on Sagamore Hill they heard the whacks of the colonel's ax. It was shortly after noon. The colonel saw them and shouted welcome, and they got out of the hack and ran toward him.

It was an unexpected visit. The colonel was delighted to see them all, for he has known each for years. With Dr. Crum he talked at length upon foreign topics. John Daney figured prominently in the red shirt riots of 1888 in Wilmington, by the way, is considered to be one of the best colored orators in the United States. The colonel has a warm spot in his heart for Cummings, because Cummings was one of the men to second Roosevelt's name in the Republican national convention of 1904.

The colonel chatted with his visitors for about a half hour. Daney told him he had made it a policy to fight out negro differences in the South and with Southerners instead of airing their grievances in the North. He said that his race is living in peace and harmony. Mr. Roosevelt was deeply interested in this kind of talk. He told the colonel that he carried away chips of wood as souvenirs when they departed.

Backs and Talks.

Daily "rulers" who go to Sagamore Hill discovered the colonel late this afternoon still swinging the big ax with gusto. He would hack, say a few words to Emmet Roosevelt, his nephew, who watched him work, and then hack some more. He wasn't ready to be interviewed until he had done away with a monster elm that was not needed on the estate. A couple of laborers stood ready to tug at a stout rope, and another assisted the colonel in chopping.

"Just a few more and we'll finish her," one of them called.

"All right," answered the colonel. And he chopped out with increased ardor. A helper shouted that the tree was splitting and warned the colonel and Emmet Roosevelt to stand aside. They obeyed and the big elm crashed to the ground with a noise that could be heard a half mile away. Then he became the contributing editor and discussed things of moment. The report that there has been a hitch in the arrangements of the conservation congress to be held in St. Paul in September, the colonel denied. If there has been any trouble it has been straightened out satisfactorily now, at any rate. All differences have been smoothed. Mr. Roosevelt is going to speak before the conservationists just as the schedule of his trip calls for.

Denver Second Stop.

At Denver, the second stop on the Western tour, the colonel will talk on certain phases of conservation. It is not in the least unlikely that one or two names will be mentioned and politics of a timely nature will be injected. The colonel says that he is looking forward to a week of rest. He hasn't made any important appointments, he said, because he wants to work as much as possible over the speeches for the first trip. The Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott, who is a member of the Outlook staff, same as the colonel is, will take dinner at Sagamore Hill to-morrow and spend the day here.

While the colonel was chatting away on some offhand subjects, out there in the woods four fine cows passed by. "Ever milk 'em," T. R. was asked.

"By George, no," laughed the colonel. "I can't milk cows. The last time I tried was many years ago, on a ranch in North Dakota, where we had condensed milk only, day and night. He paused to laugh louder.

"I chased a cow lickety-split for two miles over everything we came to. I roped the cow, threw her, and turned her upside down, but the result was not as good as I expected. I got precious little milk."

The colonel said that he never did expect to make cows a specialty. Wild beasts and things are good enough for him.

To-morrow he will rest and talk with Dr. Abbott and his family. On Monday he'll hustle with Secretary Harper in an attempt to reduce the pile of correspondence. And on Tuesday he'll edit the Outlook. He can write some, but he can't milk cows.

UP TO ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Whether the manufacturers of a cotton-seed oil substitute for lard will have to submit their premises to the government inspectors is a question which has been submitted to the Attorney General by the Department of Agriculture.

The manufacturers state that the product contains only a small percentage of fat and is mainly a vegetable compound, hence they are not compelled to submit their formula to government examination.

WEEK IN MUSIC.

Mrs. Howard Malcolm Kutehin, formerly Miss Mary Kimball, of this city, one of the best pianists ever known here, gave a recital last week in San Diego, Cal., for the benefit of the Wednesday Club, of which she has become a member since removing to that city. Mrs. Kutehin is a former pupil of Fabian, of this city; Moszkowski, Leschetizky, and Carreno, and is distinguished as being the former piano teacher of Miss Ethel Roosevelt.

She covered herself with glory at her recital, and played a characteristic programme of classic works, which showed off her beautiful touch and exquisite technique. Following was her programme:

"Loure," by Bach, transcribed by Agnes Zimmerman; Schumann's "Warum"; Schumann's Aria (by request); Prelude by Chopin (by request); Etude, Chopin (by request); Mendelssohn's "Auf Flügeln," transcribed for piano by Liszt; Mendelssohn's "Spinnerlied"; Poldini's "Marche Mignonne"; "Sous l'Amour," by Elgar; Scriabin's "Papillons"; Beethoven; Strauss; Arensky's "Pavane" (a study in forgotten rhythm); Carreno's "Mia Teresita"; Sjoegren's "Stimmung"; Sjoegren's "Morgensandung"; Humoreske (by request), and the "Feurzauber," by Wagner-Brassini.

Mr. Bernard Shur-Cliff, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Shur-Cliff, has won a four years' scholarship in the University of Pennsylvania, and will enter there in September. He was the valedictorian of his class at Technical High School, where he graduated last June. His mother is the well-known soprano soloist in the choir of the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church and of Eighth Street Temple.

Mrs. R. H. Dalgleish, contralto, sang Henshaw Dana's "Salve Regina" last Sunday morning in the Washington Heights Presbyterian Church for the offertory with great effect. It was originally written for soprano, and a high one at that, but it is effective when sung by a contralto with a good range and dramatic power.

The Cincinnati Orchestra, Leopold Stokowski, conductor, is branching out on tour next season, and in addition to their regular concerts and other work in Cincinnati, have engagements in other cities, including New York, Philadelphia, and Baltimore, and from the literature they are sending out, it is inferred they are entirely willing to come to Washington if they are sufficiently induced.

Mrs. William T. Glover, wife of the choirmaster at Dumbarton Avenue, M. E. Church, and their daughter, Miss Emily S. T. Glover, the well-known soprano, will leave on August 1 to spend three weeks at Cape Henry, Va. Miss Glover has recently returned from a visit to Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Benedict, at Woodside, Md. She has been ill this spring, but has about recovered. Mr. Glover will take his vacation in September and will go to Boston by sea.

Miss Roberta Allen, violinist and singer, who returned several weeks ago from a visit in New York, left last Tuesday for New Mexico, to spend the remainder of the summer and coming winter with her brother-in-law and sister, Maj. and Mrs. Koepfer. Maj. Koepfer is now stationed at Fort Bayard. They will make a number of trips to the interior of New Mexico. She has her violin with her and has no intention of giving up her music.

Mrs. Winston and her gifted young daughter, Miss Elizabeth Winston, who is a student in the Peabody Conservatory of Music, in Baltimore, have gone to Atlantic City for a stay of some weeks. Miss Winston is one of the scholarship pupils of the Peabody, and her piano playing is regarded as remarkable for so young a girl.

Miss Gareisen, teacher of singing at Fairmont Seminary, is spending the summer with her mother in the latter's home in Ypsilanti, Mich. Miss Gareisen is a helper of the Oyster Bay, who has lived in Washington for some years and has attained a high rank among the musicians and music lovers of the city.

Miss Jennie Glennan, the newly appointed organist in St. Patrick's Catholic church, is spending a short time in Atlantic City. She will return to substitute at the organ of New York Avenue Presbyterian Church, for John Porter Lawrence, the last of this month and throughout the month of August. During Miss Glennan's absence from her place in St. Matthew's Church, George Herbert Wells has been substituting for her. Last Sunday evening Mrs. John McLane sang the "O Solitude" at dedication. During Miss Glennan's time as substitute for Mr. Lawrence, at the New York Avenue Presbyterian, Anton Kaspar will substitute as violinist for the choir during his vacation.

Mr. N. Dushane Cloward, formerly a prominent and leading musician and singer, of this city, is spending some time at Atlantic City, mingling with the many Washington musicians there who were formerly associated with him.

BOY'S CONDITION GRAVE.

Raymond Holt, Injured by Fall, Bravely Bearing Pain.

Raymond C. Holt, the sixteen-year-old boy, who was severely injured by a forty-foot fall Wednesday, is in a precarious condition last night.

Though in terrible pain, he is bearing his suffering bravely, and is making a strong fight for life. He has a fighting chance to live, physicians say.

It was learned yesterday that young Raymond's back has been seriously injured. He was taken from Georgetown Hospital to his home, 2900 Wisconsin avenue yesterday.

RECEIPTS OF POST-OFFICE.

Show an Increase of 15.20 Per Cent Over June, 1909.

Receipts of the Washington Post-office for June, 1910, show \$16,275.80, or 15.20 per cent increase over those of June, 1909. This is one of the largest increases of the year, and is exceeded only by those of July, 1909, \$22,222.34, and November, 1909, \$19,553.68.

The net increase in receipts at the fifty leading post-offices of the United States for the last year amounted to \$768,347.69. Only five offices showed a decrease—Brooklyn, St. Paul, Seattle, Scranton, and Chattanooga.

Stepped on Third Rail.

James Miller, twenty-seven years old, of 318 Four-and-a-half street southwest, was taken to the Emergency Hospital last night after falling from a third rail on the line of the Washington Electric Company. He was not seriously hurt.

STAGE MEN ADJOURN

Final Session of Convention Ends Early This Morning.

DELEGATES BUSY ALL DAY

J. C. Campbell, of Oklahoma, "The Nerviest Man in Alliance," Receives Handsome Loving Cup from Friends—Getaway Day Brings Much Local Business Before Body.

With a close attention to business the convention of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees was adjourned sine die early this morning at the Eagles' Club.

Consideration of the various minor business affairs of the 200 locals kept the delegates busy the whole day. The election session Friday night did not adjourn until 2 o'clock Saturday morning, but the morning session was opened yesterday at 8 o'clock. The delegates recessed for an hour, then played away again until 5 o'clock in the afternoon. They reconvened two hours later.

Many were in favor of holding an additional session Monday to clear the crowded programme, but an order was passed last night to keep in session until everything had been acted upon.

With the unequalled tribute of "the nerviest man in the alliance," J. C. Campbell, of Oklahoma, was presented a handsome silver loving cup by his brother delegates at the opening of the night session. The presentation was wholly unexpected by the Westerner, and for a while his usual good nerve failed him. But only for a moment.

"You want to get my 'goal,' gentlemen, don't you?" he then inquired coolly. "Well, I am sorry, gentlemen, I am sorry—I left it back on the sands of Oklahoma. Thank you."

The gift, as the members explained it among themselves, is due to Campbell's "berneous activity," "unquenchable," and several like virtues. If an objection was needed, Campbell supplied it. If a motion to reconsider, Campbell furnished the means.

If a point of order was due, Campbell bobbed up, and he was also there with a point of order when one was not desired. He has been the handy man, objector, and the one "stormy petrel" of the convention.

ARMY AND NAVY.

Army Orders.

First Lieut. PETER J. HENNESSY, Fifteenth Cavalry, relieved from treatment at General Hospital, San Francisco.

Leave for ten days is granted First Lieut. LOUIS FARRELL, Ninth Infantry, recruiting office. Leave for one month and ten days, on or about August 1, granted Capt. WILLIAM H. TEEFF, Medical Corps.

Maj. KENNETH MORTON, Ordnance Department, will make two visits during July and three visits during August to works of Mills Women Cartridge Belt Company, Worcester, Mass.

Capt. FRANCIS J. ROSEFER, Fifth Cavalry, relieved from duty as member of board officers, and will sail from San Francisco on August 5 to join his regiment.

First Lieut. HARRISON W. STUCKEY, Medical Reserve Corps, relieved from duty at Fort Hamilton, and will proceed to Fort Greble.

Maj. CHARLES KELLER, Corps of Engineers, detailed to superintend the construction of any aid to navigation, viz. Brig. Gen. WILLIAM H. BERRY, Chief of Engineers, relieved.

The officers of the Coast Artillery Corps hereinafter named are relieved from assignment to the companies indicated, and are placed on the unassigned list: Capt. SAM F. BOTTOMS, 16th Company; RAYMOND H. FENNER, 18th Company; and ARTHUR P. FILLER, 18th Company; First Lieut. FRANCIS J. BEIR, Forty-fifth Company; CLARENCE H. ROSS, Forty-fifth Company; EARL B. ROSS, Forty-fifth Company; JOHN E. MUNROE, 18th Company; ROLLO F. ANDERSON, Eighty-fourth Company; LEONARD E. MANNING, Eighty-fourth Company; CLIFFORD L. CORBIN, 18th Company; ALEX. ANDER G. PENDLETON, Twelfth Company; JOHN G. HENDERSON, Ninety-fourth Company; WALTER E. DONAHUE, Fifty-eighth Company; ALEXANDER G. GILLESPIE, 12th Company; JOHN C. PRATT, 18th Company; EDWARD J. CULLEN, 18th Company; HARRY A. SCHWABE, Twenty-ninth Company; FRED W. MOTLOW, Sixty-sixth Company; WILLIAM R. McLEARY, Thirty-first Company; HOWARD K. LOUGHRAN, Thirty-first Company; JOHN F. McLEARY, Thirty-first Company; GUY L. GEARHART, 18th Company; WYATT O. SELKIRK, Eighty-fourth Company, and THOMAS A. CLARK, 18th Company.

The following officers of the Coast Artillery Corps are transferred, assigned, or attached to companies as indicated after their respective names: Capt. HARRY W. McCAULEY, 18th Company; Capt. JAMES L. LONG, 12th Company; Capt. JAMES PRINCE, Ninety-third Company; First Lieut. GEORGE L. WERTENBACHER, Seventy-ninth Company; First Lieut. GEORGE P. HAWES, Jr., Ninth Company; First Lieut. JAMES M. FULTON, Thirty-third Company; First Lieut. CHARLES E. WHEATLEY, 18th Company; First Lieut. LOUIS E. DICK, 18th Company; First Lieut. HENRY W. BURN, 16th Company.

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The following orders have been issued: Rear Admiral J. A. ROBERTS, placed upon retired list of officers from July 31, and detached duty navy yard, Puget Sound, Wash.; to home.

Capt. V. T. COTMAN, detached duty navy yard, Puget Sound, Wash., as captain of yard; to duty as commandant navy yard, Puget Sound, Wash.

Commanding H. C. PONDSTONE, retired detached duty navy yard, New York, N. Y.; to duty in charge branch Hydrographic Office, Baltimore, Md.

Commander W. A. EDGAR, detached duty as inspector of the Ninth lightship district, Chicago, Ill., and with orders.

Lieut. Commander W. S. CROSLLEY, to duty in command of Scorpion.

During the year ended March 31, 1909, the number of telegrams sent in the United Kingdom was 2,525,000.

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More Than 7,000 Irish-Americans at Queenstown Since May.

Francis J. Kilkenny, president of the Irish Home-going Association, has received word from Ireland that more than 7,000 Irish-Americans have arrived at Queenstown since May 1. Several hundred have arrived at other ports. Mr. Kilkenny is confident that the number of home-goers this year will greatly exceed all previous records.

OFF FOR NATIONAL UNION.

Attention of 5,000 members of